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In re application of : Jack C. Wybenga, et al.
Serial No. : 10/826,158
Filed : April 16, 2004
For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING
FORWARDING TABLE SEARCHES USING
CONSECUTIVE SYMBOLS TABLES
Group No. : 2419
Examiner : Robert C. Scheibel
Confirmation No. : 8567

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This communication responds to a Final Office Action mailed February 6, 2009, which has a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on May 6, 2009. As this Reply is being filed within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action, the Applicant requests an Advisory Action.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: